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However, although the family relationship was cultivated,

Love was not cultivated at the same time.

However, he never forced it.

Because when he first married her, he felt that he was not worthy of her.

Claire did not love him at the time, but was willing to marry him when he was penniless.

For her, this act, he was very grateful.

Later, they lived together with such respect,

This also made him develop a kind of inertia.

Later, although his strength continued to improve, he still didn't dare to hope that she would fall in love with him,

Because he knew that if you don't love someone from the beginning,

No matter how good the other person is, it would be difficult to cultivate love.

Isn't that the case with him and Sara?

He treated her as a relative and a sister, and would even take all risks for her, including death.

But if he really asked himself to marry her and have children with her,

He would probably find it difficult to cross that hurdle in his heart.

Because of this experience, in his heart, Claire should treat him the same as he treated Sara.

But he never expected that on the night of his 29th birthday,

In the sixth year of their marriage, Claire would take the initiative to be with him unrestrained.

Seeing that Charlie didn't make any move at this time, Claire, who was standing by, asked him with a guilty conscience:

"Charlie, have you always regarded me as a family member?"

"No!" Charlie said immediately:

"From the moment you married me, no matter how you positioned me in your heart,"

"In my heart, I have positioned you as my wife."

Claire felt a little aggrieved and asked him:

"Then why didn't you move?"

"If you delay any longer, it will be after twelve o'clock..."

It was impossible for Charlie not to think about it, but he was more or less worried that she was not 100% emotional,

So he subconsciously asked: "Wife, you drank a lot of wine tonight."

"Is it the effect of alcohol?"

"No!" Claire categorically denied, blurting out,

"I made this decision before coming here,"

"Otherwise I wouldn't have brought this nightgown."

"We've been married for so long, and when have you ever seen me wear something so revealing in front of you?"

Charlie thought for a moment, grinning foolishly,

"Indeed, I haven't..."

Claire, overwhelmed with shame, blurted out,

"I've already taken the initiative,"

"And you're still hesitant and asking questions."

"If I'd known this would happen, I wouldn't have said anything!"

Charlie suddenly realized and quickly hugged her, saying softly,

"I'm sorry, honey. It's all my fault."

"I was just afraid you wouldn't have thought it through and made a hasty decision that you'd regret later."

Claire looked at him, her voice soft but firm, saying,

"I don't regret giving myself to you."

"If I do regret anything, it's that I made this decision too late..."

Then, she locked eyes with Charlie and said emotionally,

"Hubby, the past is the past."

"No matter what we missed in the past,"

"We should all seize the present, right?"

At that moment, Charlie understood that Claire's decision was the product of careful consideration.

Besides being touched, he was also filled with longing for her.

After all, the couple had been married for six years,

A perfectly normal thing for a married couple, yet they had, for various reasons, delayed it for six years.

Today was his birthday, and taking this belated step tonight seemed like the best outcome.

People often say that the best time to plant a tree was ten years ago,

The second-best time to plant a tree is now.

The same is true with relationships.

Whatever the reason for the delay, it was already substantial,

And no matter how hard you look back, it's impossible to make up for it.

The best way to truly make amends is to seize the present.

So, without hesitation, Charlie turned over, gently pressed Claire beneath him, and kissed her red lips.

At that moment, Claire's body trembled slightly,

And she responded with a clumsy yet passionate kiss.

It was the first time in their six years of marriage that they had kissed so deeply.

Charlie's heart was filled with love for Claire,

While Claire, besides love, felt the pain of the impending farewell.

In that moment, this pain transformed into an even stronger love,

Overwhelming her like a tide.

Everything that followed flowed smoothly and naturally.

Claire's body tensed, her brow furrowed slightly,

Her fingertips were clasping Charlie's back.

Six years into their marriage,

She had truly become Charlie's wife.

And in the final hours before leaving him,

She gave him her most precious possession.

No matter how he had deceived her before,

She completely forgave him at that moment.

Giving herself to him in her final moments was a decision she had carefully considered.

Firstly, she had already fallen deeply in love with him,

And even if she left him, she felt she would never again fall in love with another man.

Secondly, she felt she owed Charlie too much over the past six years of marriage,

And the gap between them was immense.

The only thing she could give him in return was perhaps this wholehearted love.

It was at this moment that Charlie transformed into a truly mature man.

After several storms, each followed by a breakup, he embraced Claire tightly,

I feel a strong sense of unreality and even a strange uneasiness.

However, Claire in his arms was so real that it swept away his anxiety, and he hugged her tightly.

That night, for the first time in the twenty years since his parents were murdered, he slept as soundly as a baby...